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The prior art submitted on January 2, 2003 has been considered. The prior art does not show the internal addition of a compound having the lyotropic degree to achieve the claimed improvement in paper properties as defined in the claims or do they show the compounds as disclosed on pages 15-17 of the instant specification. Note attached PTO-1449.

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